

Welcome to St. Mary's Property Committee!

The St. Mary Property Committee has done amazing work over the past years to maintain and enhance our church properties. All of the major projects which were previously identified have been addressed and the committee's workload reduced as it was defined. We want to reinstitute an active Property Committee and we took the first step by revising the charter; see the attached charter. The charter might appear to be broader in scope than you might have thought. The definition of property might be the main reason for the broader scope.

During the past year we started a Property Reference book to document things about the church property; what exists, what needs maintenance, what has recently been done and what is warranted although much more work is needed on this reference book.

We are seeking parishioners who want to be part of the Property Committee. The committee doesn't need to consist of contractors, skilled laborers or individuals who are capable of doing some of the project work although they are welcome. We want individuals who are interested in the upkeep of our church, rectory, parking lots and rental property. Female, male, young, old, gardeners, workers, administrative support, etc. are all valuable members to this ministry. You can also be an "on-call" member who likes to do some yard work, interior painting or minor maintenance but don't want to be a committee member. Let us know your interests and we'll contact you when projects are approved and funded.

Unlike other ministries, we need to have some in-person meetings which might discourage folks from joining this ministry until the virus has subsided. The in-person meetings will tour all the properties and grounds to inventory assets, evaluate their condition and prioritize work. We'll hold these meetings under current guidelines for health and safety. If you don't feel comfortable meeting in person at this time, that's fine, we'll welcome you when you are ready to join the ministry. After we are organized we'll meet approximately 4 times a year.

Rick Ross was instrumental in drafting the new charter and submitted it to the Pastoral Council. Rick has offered to help organize the kick-off of the Property Committee. If you are interested in learning more about the committee's responsibilities or ready to sign up, contact Jill in the office.

- 1) Are you interested in being a committee member or an "on-call" member?
- 2) Are you comfortable meeting in person or prefer to postpone your personal attendance?
- 3) What is your email address?
- 4) Do you have a particular interest? (such as gardening/landscape, painting, maintaining our documentation on the computer, estimating project costs and efforts, interior painting, etc.)

Email your responses to Rick at RicRoss@verizon.net. We look forward to collaborating and working with you!